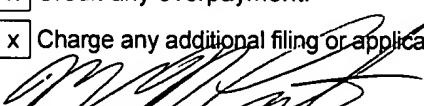


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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 11, 2006, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This Paper includes Amendments to the Claims and Remarks.